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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

IN RE:) Case No. C09-3572 CRB
 OBEDIE WILLIAMS,)

Petitioner,)

v.)

PATRICIA WILLIAMS,)

Respondent.)

U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
 MANAGEMENT,)

Claimant.)

**STIPULATION AND ORDER
 DISMISSING U.S. OFFICE OF
 PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

1. On or about May 19, 2004, Petitioner, Obedie Williams, filed a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage in the Family Law Division of the Alameda County Superior Court, *Marriage of Obedie Williams v. Patricia Williams*, Case No. RF04156523 (hereinafter, “*In re Marriage of Williams*”).

2. On or about February 11, 2009, Respondent, Patricia Williams, requested that the state court join U.S. Office of Personnel Management (“OPM”) as a party claimant in *In re Marriage of Williams*.

3. On February 11, 2009, the state court filed an order joining OPM as a party claimant in *In re Marriage of Williams*.

4. On February 17, 2009, the state court granted the motion of Rose-Claire Chapuis, Esq., to be relieved as counsel for Respondent, Patricia Williams. Since February 17, 2009, Respondent has been appearing *pro se*.

5. OPM removed the state court action to the United States District Court on August 5, 2009 and, on August 12, 2009, filed a motion to dismiss OPM as a party to the action.

6. Respondent, Patricia Williams, appearing *pro se*, has asked the parties to stipulate to the dismissal of OPM pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a).

7. The parties do not oppose the dismissal of OPM pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a), with each party bearing its own costs and attorney’s fees.

8. The parties jointly request that, following dismissal of OPM, the Court remand the remainder of the action to the Alameda County Superior Court.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

DATED: September 11, 2009

Respectfully submitted,
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DATED: September 10, 2009

_____/s/ Patricia Williams_____
PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Pro Se
Respondent

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2 DATED: September 10, 2009

_____/s/ Michael C. Cohen_____
MICHAEL C. COHEN
Attorney for Petitioner, Obedie Williams

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5 **ORDER**

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7 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that claimant, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, is
8 dismissed from this action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a), with each party
9 bearing its own costs and attorney's fees, and that the remainder of the action is remanded to
10 the Alameda County Superior Court. All pending dates are hereby vacated.
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12 DATED: September 16, 2009

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CHARLES R. BREYER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
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